BOERS CHECK GEN. FRENCH

HE HAS NOT YET SUCCEEDED IN ENTERING COLESBERG.

No Official News of the Reported Battle at Molteno Between the Boers and Gen. Gatacre's Force - Experiments With Wireless Telegraphy Between De Aar and Methuen's Camp Not Very Successful.

Special Cable Despaich to THE SUN. LONDON, Jan. 4. - The centre of the greatest ectivity for the moment in South Africa is apparently in the Colesberg district, where, so far as is ascertainable, there is a great deal of manoeuvring and counter-manœuvring, with little solid esult. Gen. French has asked for small reentorcements to enable him to capture Colesberg, which the Boers yet hold, though some reports represent them as being in a tight corner, with their line of retreat cut off.

A War Office despatch from Cape Town says: French's position is unchanged. He says that with small reënforcements he could dislodge the enemy from Colesberg, where he is

manœuvring." A despatch from Naauw Poort, Cape Colony. dated Jan. 2, says: "Colesberg has not yet been occupied by the British. The Boers have removed their laager out of range of the British guns, but are holding a strong position. The British guns command the Norvals Point road and the Colesberg road bridge."

There is no official news of the reported battle between the Boers and Gen. Gatacre's force at Molteno. A news despatch from Sterk-stroom. Cape Colony, dated Jan. 3, says: "The Boers attacked Molteno this morning and the action is now proceeding." Nothing has been heard since the receipt of

the above. Gen. Babington's mounted force, which started to cooperate with Col. Pilcher in the attack on the Boers at Sunnyside and Douglas. is not reported to have returned. The latest reference to this force is in a despatch dated

has been heard in the direction of its march. Nothing of consequence is reported from The Daily Mail's Cape Town correspondent says that the experiments with the Marconi system of wireless telegraphy between DeAar and Modder River have met with small success the fron in the hills beyond Enslin playing all

Modder River, Jan. 2, which states that firing

DESERTERS FROM THE BOER RANKS. They Enter the Frere Camp and Say the Boers Are Short of Supplies.

sorts of pranks with the system.

Special Cable Despatches to THE SUN. FRERE CAMP, Natal, Jan. 3 .- Twelve Boer deserters, headed by a man who can speak English well, have come into camp here. They complain of bad usage, and say that the Boers are short of sugar, flour and coffee. The horses of the enemy, according the deserters, are in very poor condition, and their backs are sore. Mealies are their only food. These men were commandeered from the Upper Tugela country. They state that their commandant when they were command eered was Gen. Viljoen, who is

most vigilant. The Thirteenth Hussars and Thorneycroft's Horse raided a farm owned by a rebel near the Tugela River and brought in many wagon loads of forage. The bombardment continues at Ladysmith.

There is desuitory firing between the British and Boer outposts near the Tugela River. The Boers have mounted cannon at Springfield, which commands the west of the British

The Tugela River is falling. PIETERMARITZBURG, Jan. 3.- The shelling Ladvamith has been severe since last week. but the garrison is confident and the mortality

PRAISE FOR CANADIAN TROOPS.

Toronto Company's Good Work in the Fighting at Sunnyside.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN London, Jan. 3 .- A despatch from Sunnyside. Cape Colony, dated Jan. 1, states that the Boer losses in the fight there were six killed and twelve wounded. The Toronto company of the Canadian contingent stood a galling fire with admirable patience and never wasted a shot. Lieut, Bell, in charge of the Maxim gun, and Lleut. Belham, who was directing the work of the Queenslanders' machine gun, did excellent work. Lieut. Ryan's handling of the mounted nfantry is highly praised. A despatch from Douglas, Cape Colony, says the loyalist inhabitants of that place received Col. Pileher and his men with extraordinary demonstrations of delight. These demonstrations were doubled when it was ascertained that the Canadians and Australians had taken part in the engage-

The War Office has received the following despatch from Cape Town deted Jan. 2: Methuen's cavalry brigade is supporting Pilcher's force and watching Koodoes

## BRITISH DEATHS AT DUNDER. Sixteen Soldiers Have Died in the Hospital There.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. LONDON, Jan. 3.-A despatch to the Times from Lorenzo Marques, dated yesterday, says: 'An ambulance corps with twenty-nine wounded left Dundee for Pretoria on Dec. 31. "The Boers at Dundee behaved shockingly. The ambulance doctor and assistants were imprisoned for eleven days in the compound.

There was a terrible exhibition of rowdiness on Christmas Day. Sixteen soldiers have died in the hospital since the British evacuated Dundee."

CHURCHILL IN THE ARMY.

Appointed to the Command of a Squadron of the South African Horse. Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN

LONDON, Jan. 3.—Winston Churchill has been appointed to the command of a squadron of the South African Horse.

Mr. Churchill was formerly a Lieutenant in the Fourth Hussars. He went to the front as a correspondent of the London Post and was taken prisoner. He afterward made his escape from Pretoria. Mr. Churchill is the son of Lady Randolph Churchill.

BOER AGENT AT THE HAGUE.

Dr. Leyds Talks With the Queen and the Dutch Minister of Foreign Affairs.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. THE HAGUE, Jan. 3.-Dr. Leyds, the European Agent of the Transvaal, attended the New Year's ball at the palace and conversed frequently with Queen Wilhelmina. Subsequenty he conferred with Dr. W. H. de Beaufort, the Minister of Foreign Affairs, and afterward left

Chamberlain Congratulates Canadians. OTTAWA, Ont., Jan. 3. - The following cable despatch was received this morning by the Governor-General from the Secretary of State for the Colonies:

"I congratulate Canada on the gallant b havior of her contingent in the engagement Sunnyside. "LAMBERLAIN."

A New Atlantic City Express via Jersey Central. 136 Miles in 34 Hours.
In effect January 8th and thereafter, special train of Parlor Cars and Vesubuled Coaches leaves foot Liberty Street at 200 P. M., South Ferry, 3:25 P. M., arriving in Atlantic City at 6:45 P. M. Northward, Leave, allantic City 2:10 P. M., arriving New York

GERMANY INSISTS ON HER RIGHTS, The Cologne "Gazette's" Opinion of the Selzure of the Bundesrath.

Special Cable Despatch to THE BUN. BERLIN, Jan. 3.-The Cologne Gazette to-day. commenting on the seizure of the German steamer Pundesrath, by English warships,

"It is improbable that England will further estrange what slight German sympathy there may be with her by violating the law in connection with the seizure of the Bundesrath. The British Navy, conscious of its strength, may ventilate its spleen over the army defeats and confuse the question of right with might by interfering with the vessels of neutral countries. But Germany insists on her rights and waits to see whether the matter was an infringement of the law of nations or a case involving lengthy and futile explanations."

The newspapers continue lengthily to discuss the seizure of the Bundesrath, but nothing of importance has developed in the matter. It is understood that Herr Woermann, chairman of the company owning the vessel, who interviewed the officials of the Foreign Office concerning the seizure, was assured that the Government would do everything possible to safeguard the company's interests, but that days might elapse before the arrival of information concerning the fate of the Bundesrath, even if Great Britain dealt with the matter in the most loyal manner, as she appeared to be

BOERS LOUT BRITISH TRAIN.

Shelled and Drove Back Another Train

Sent to the Rescue. Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. NAAUW POORT, Cape Colony, Jan. 2 .- A British commissariat train was derailed beyond Plewman's to-day and the Boers looted it. A rescue train which attempted to approach was shelled by the Boers. There was fighting to-day near Vanderwaltsfontein

GUNS IN THE PIANO CASES.

Cargo of Fifty Cases Landed at Lorenzo Marques Last Week.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. DURBAN. Jan. 2.-Evewitnesses state that fifty cases which were said to contain pianes were landed at Lorenzo Marques last week. They really contained Krupp and Creusot guns.

BOER SYMPATHIZERS IN CANADA. Treasonable Resolutions Adopted at Yictoria West, B. C.

VICTORIA, B. C., Jan. 3.-A pro-Boer meeting was held in Victoria West, a suburb of this city, last night, at which the following was unanimously adopted:

"Whereas, As the people of Great Britain have apparently decided that the South African Republic shall no longer continue to exist, and, "Whereas. There is now a state of war existing between the free people of that Republic and the people of Great Britain, and,
"Whereas, We, sympathizers with the Boers
in South Africa, are of the opinion that in her
encroachment on territory to which she has no
claim, Great Britain has proven herself the ag-

gressor, therefore, be it

"Resolved. That we extend to the suffering people of the Transvani our heartfelt sympathy and our best wishes that in the struggle they have before them victory may rest upon their

## AID FOR THE BOERS.

"Knights of the Red Branch" Talk of Sending Four Regiments to France to Enlist.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 4.—Grand Chief John A. is composed largely of Irishmen and Germans who sympathize with the Boers, and who are with England, said to-day, that it had been deeided to raise tour regiments and to send them from this city to Paris. They will not enlist here and will not be armed here, that being left to be done when they arrive at the French left to be done when they arrive at the French capital. Mr Ryan went to Troy, N. Y. to-day and to-night will organize there a branch of the scelety of which he is chief.

At the headquarters of the Clan-na-Gael here young mea are drilling nightly. Leaders say that the drilling is merely for exercise, but there is little doubt that it is the intention to send these men to Paris and that the majority of them will find their way into the ranks of Com Paul's forces.

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P. J. McManus, editor of the Irish-American, to-day exhibited a despatch apparently sent from Dublin, which may be taken to indicate that the Engish Government anticipates an uprising on the rart of the Irish. The despatch reads: "Extra precautions have been adopted by the military authorities here. The constabulary has been fully armed. The sentries from sundown to morning have been increased at the barracks. Patrols march around, and all leaves of absence are suspended."

RED CROSS WORK IN BOER LINES. Sons of St. George Seeking Subscriptions to

Be Used in the "Enemy's Territory." BALTIMORE, Md., Jan. 3.-The local branch of the National Society of the Sons of St. George is taking an active part in the work of raising money to aid wounded British soldiers and their families. Circulars were sent out to-day by the Maryland Committee to aid the South African Relief Fund soliciting contributions for the Red Cross work within the Boer lines. The circular says that the British are fully equipped with Red Cross facilities, but that the Boer forces are denendent almost wholly upon volunteer physicians and surgeons, and it is for the purpose of placing Red Cross facilities within the Boer lines that liberal contributions are being asked for.

Accompanying the circular is a copy of Mr. Correlius Within the Boer lines that liberal contributions are being asked for. African Relief Fund soliciting contributions

are being asked for.
Accompanying the circular is a copy of Mr.
Cornelius W. Van der Hoogt's late book entitled "A Century of Injustice," which describes the situation in the Transvaal. Aiready arge contributions have been received from different parts of Maryland for the fund. The different parts of Maryland for the fund. The Maryland committee is composed of ex-Mayor Ferdinand C. Latrobe, Chairman; the Rev R. H. Joldersma, Vice-Chairman; John Van Hall, Treasurer; John C. Beeuwkes, Secretary; Gen. Felix Agnus, Louis P. Hennighausen, the Rev. Edward Huber, George W. Gail, Her-manus de Boer and Arend Mulder.

TAKEN FOR BRITISH TRANSPORTS. More Vessels Removed From Baltimore's Commerce for African Service.

BALTIMORE, Jan. 3.-Two more steamshins have been withdrawn from the Baltimore foreign service for duty as British army transports. They are the Ulstermore of the Johnston Line o Liverpool and the Lord Dufferin of the Lord Line to Belfast. The former was commanded in this trade by Capt. Moore and the latter by Capt. Dunn, both of whom are well known here. Capt. Findlay of the Atlantic Transport Line, also well known here has been sent out to South Africa in the steamship Europe of the Transport Line recently chartered by the British Government. The Johnston liners Vedamore, Uistermore and Templemore, late of the Bultimore-Livermool Line, are now British army transports. The Hamburg-American Line steamships Brasalia and Bethania, recently sold to the Domlinon Line of Liverpool and put under the British flag, will also be used as transports. They were among the largest that came to Bultimore under the German flag. Line to Belfast. The former was commanded

New Orleans, La., Jan. 3,-A movement was started here to-day by the Tolane Hospital was started here do-day by the future hospital trained nurses to send a party of trained nurses to the Transvaal to look after the Boer wounded. The movement is headed by Miss Emma T. Broderick, and a number of the graduates of the school for trained nurses volunteered their services. It was decided to apply to Secretary of State Hay to learn from him whether any objection would be raised by Wastad to the nurses going to the Transvaal. arriving New York | England to the nurses going to the Transvaal.

A FALSE "SECOND ALARM

IN A BUNCH OF FOUR FALSE FIRE ALARMS LAST EVENING.

Signal May Have Been Made From Any One of Twenty Boxes, but Appeared to Come From a Box Surrounded by Firemen Called on a False Ftrst Alarm.

A false alarm of fire was sent out at 5:30 o'clock last evening apparently from the box at Sixty-first street and First avenue. At 6:20 oclock a false alarm was sent out apparently from box 291, at Greene and Eighth streets. The firemen were trying to find a fire in Oppenheim, Collins & Co.'s cloak manufactory at 258 Greene street, and had frightened into a fit one Nathan Laufer, a cloak operative, who was working late, when a second alarm was rung, apparently from the same box. When an ambulance had been called to attend to Lanfer, and it had been made certain that there was no fire to put out, the firemen found themselves employed sending away the apparatus that began to arrive on the second alarm. A false "second alarm" is something of a novelty. This one was rung at 6:29 o'clock. Chief Croker said that both the alarms must have been sent out by some malicious person. It was easy to send the first alarm because the box is an open one, but the second alarm, he said, could be sent only by some person who had a key to open the inner compartment of the box and who knew also the Morse signals by which to send the call for more engines. Only a firemen or a person who had been a fireman he said would be likely to have the key and the knowledge necessary to send the second alarm. None of the firemen who answered the first

alarm sent the second call, the Chief said. At 6:44 o'clock a false alarm of fire was turned in apparently from Broadway and Fourteenth street. When the engines got to the corner there was no fire to be found and no one knew anything about an alarm. The policeman on post told the firemen that he had been within a few feet of the box for fifteen minutes, but that no one had approached it. Chief Croker said that he believed this aiarm also had been sent from the box at the corner of Eighth and Greene streets, or from some other box on the same circuit. Any one familiar with the fire department signal system he said could have turned in a Fourteenth street box alarm from the Eighth street box, providing he had a box key. Probably a dismissed fireman did it, the Chief said. During the past year many false alarms had been turned in the total number being 124, most of them being turned in late at night. Many of the versons who had turned in these signals were caught and placed under arrest. They proved to be intoxicated young men out for a good time, and the Police Magistrates let them off with slight fines or suspended sentences. The last man who was sent to the penitentiary for turning in false alarms was caught in 1803, when within a few days he turned in ascore of signals.

Chief Operator Jones said at Fire Headquarters last night that the wires were all right and that there was no indication that they had been tampered with anywhere.

"Anybody can send in a false first alarm," he said. "but it is unusual for malicious persons to send in second alarms. The signal for a second alarm is two taps and after a slight wait, two more. No one but fremen are supposed to send in second alarms: in fact civilians are not generally supposed to know the signal. This Greene street second alarm was the work of an inexperienced person, for after the first two taps there was an interval and then a rapid succession of taps. The sender was either ignorant of the signal or didn't know how to work the apparatus. The second alarm came over the same wire as the first one, but I do not believe the sender had the audacity to send it from the same box. There are twenty boxes on that wire and he must have chosen some other one for his second ala and no one knew anything about an The policeman on post told alarm.

have before them victory may rest upon their arms."

The meeting was largely attended by Germans and Belgians. Capt. Christiansen presided, and in the course of his speech said Great Britain was trying to overwhelm the Boers in her greed for gold and diamends. It is rumored that some prosecutions for treasure may follow. Victoria West is between here and Esquimult, and the sentiment shown by the inhabitants last night may account for the extractional arm came over the same wire as the first one, but I do not believe the sender had the activation of the same box. There are twenty boxes on that wire and he must have chosen some other one for his second alarm."

A Citizens' Committee has been organized to prosecute the Boer sympathizers and arrange a boycott against them.

Welles Catlin Waring on Dec. 17. Miss Maude LeRoy Satterlee, a daughter of Gen, Livingston Satterlee of Pendleton Place, New Brighton, Staten Island, and Welles Catlin Waring were married on Sunday, Dec. 17. Ryan of the Knights of the Red Branch, which at the Church of the Transfiguration on West Twenty-ninth street. The marriage was in the nature of an elopement, as not even the working to aid them in prosecuting the war | parents of Miss Satterlee knew of the couple's intention to be married at present. Objection had been raised against its taking place for a year at least. The announcement of the marriage, which appeared in the form of the following notice in one of yesterday's morning papers, came as a surprise to the friends of the young people, who had not known they were

waring-satteries. On Sunday, Dec. 17, 1889, by the Rev. S. C. Houghton, at the Church of the Transfiguration, Maude Le Roy, daughter of Gen. and Mrs. L. Satterlee to Welles Catlin

The Satterlees are prominent in Staten The Satterlees are prominent in Staten Island society. Gen. Satterlee is a civil engineer with offices at 40 Broadway. The bride is his youngest daughter. Mr. Waring is the adopted son of Harry J. Creighton of Forrest avenue, West New Brighton, Staten Island. He is a son of William H. Waring of Brooklyn, who was a political leader there at one time. He is a member of Company I. Seventy-first Regiment, and is employed by a firm of brokers on the Cotton Exchange. Mr. Waring was known to his friends as Welles Creighton, and for this reason his name was not recognized by some of them in the marriage announcement. He was adopted when a year old, and resumed his real name only a short time ago.

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Mr. Waring became acquainted with Miss Satterlee through her brother Ernest. When a marriage was talked about, Miss Satterlee's parents opposed it for the present although they had no objection to Mr. Waring personally. The wedding, it was thought, would occur some time next fall. The couple decided to get married at once, however, and on Sunday, Dec. 17. accompanied by two friends, they went to the Church of the Transfiguration and were there united. They did not make the fact that they were man and wife known until New Year's Day. Mr. and Mrs. Waring are now living with the latter's parents. They are both 23 years old.

Gen. Satterlee, when seen last night, said that the reason for his daughter's secret marriage was her dread of a public ceremony.

ATE BRIDAL BREAKFAST IN JAIL.

Boy Bridegroom Arrested Half an Hour After His Marriage to a Girl of 14. PORT JERVIS, N. Y., Jan. 3.-Burt Perry, 18 years of age, and Miss Minnie Hunt, 14 years of age, were married at 8 o'clock last evening, and at 8:30 P. M. the youthful husband was arrested and lodged in jail on a warrant procured by Mr. A. G. Rueling, a butcher, for stealing a

shotgun of his six months ago. Perry lived in Matamoras, Pa., just across the river from Port Jervis, and he evaded arrest by keeping out of the State until he crossed the line to marry Miss Hunt. When he went to iail for marry Miss Hunt. When he went to half or stealing the gun his girl bride of half an hour refused to be separated from him and went to jail with him. This morning they ate their wedding breaklast in jail. Appearing be-fore Judge McCormick Perry offered to settle all damages. The owner of the gun withdrew his charges and the justice, in consideration of the future happiness of the bridal pair, re-leased the young husband on his promising to do better.

KENTUCKY REPUBLICAN CAUCUS. No Nominee for United States Senator

Chosen-Legislative Policy.

FRANKFORT, Ky., Jan. 3 .- The Republicans held a joint caucus to-night to take action to the selection of a nominee relative for United States Senator. The caucus was in sestion about an hour and the general course to be pursued by the Republican members was discussed. It was deemed un-wise to make a selection as yet. It was decided to act with the Brown Democrats on all mat-ters possible with a view to forming an organ-ization against the Goebel contest. It was rumored that ex-Gov. W. O. Bradley had been selected as the Republican candidate, but this was denied.

Deerfoot Farm Sansages. There is nothing more appetizing and delightful for a winter's breakfast. Try a two-pound package.

Miss Fields's Presence of Mind May Have

Saved a Railroad Wreck in The Bronx. The bridge over the East Chester road on the suburban line of the New Haven Railroad in The Bronx caught fire about 7 o'clock last night, it is supposed from a spark dropped by a passing locomotive, and was burned. Mabel Fields. the eighteen-year-old daughter of Tax Commissioner August C. Fields, discovered the fire as she was on the way to a church entertainment and ran down the track nearly half a mile to West Chester, where she notified the station agent. He ran back to the bridge, arriving just in time to flag a heavy freight train which was running about thirty miles an hour. Several passenger trains arrived later and their crews fought the fire till Section Foreman Falby and a wrecking crew arrived from the Harlem River yards. When the flames were extinguished the bridge was so badly damaged that trains were run on the westbound tracks only.

MRS. MAUD GETS A DIVORCE,

Former Dalay Gordon of Cleveland Free From Her Husband. ARRON, Ohio, Jan. 3.-Mrs. Walter De S. Maud secured a divorce in the Summit County Court this afternoon on the grounds of gross neglect of duty and extreme cruelty. Mrs Maud was Daisy Gordon, the beautiful daughter of Charles Gordon, one of the wealthiest men of a young Englishman whom she had met in Texas was the society event of that season in Cleveland. They did not live long together and Maud soon returned to Texas. Three years ago Mrs. Maud came to Texas. Three years ago Mrs. Maud came to Akron, took a furnished house and a few days after filed a suit for divorce which was eligible for hearing on Dec. 19, but which was not called up until to-day. The case occupied only a few minutes. Mrs. Maud testified to Maud's bad conduct beginning immediately after the honeymoon, and told of one case when he struck her. Attorneys Virgil P. Kine and H. C. Ranney of Cleveland and her housekeeper. Mrs. Price, corroborated her statements and Judge J. A. Kohler granted the petition at once.

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Since the sult for divorce, rumors have connected Mrs. Maud's name with a coming marriage. It has been asserted that she was to wed Dan. R. Hanna, son of Senator Hanna, and himself a divorced man. Other stories have been that as soon as Senator Welcott, of Colorado, was divorced he would make Mrs. Maud his wife.

DR. M'GLYNN'S ILLNESS.

A Growth on His Right Hip Is What Is

Alarming His Physicians. NEWBURGH, Jan. 3.-The Rev. Edward Mc-Glynn is yet confined to his room at St. Mary's parsonage in this city and he is far from being well man. Six weeks ago he had to take to his room and he has been unable to leave it At that time it was given out he suffered with Bright's disease, but his physicians said the attack was only slight and that he would again be himself within a week or so. It has just been learned outside of the parsonage that what is giving his physicians alarm is a mysterious growth on his right hip. It is eating its way into his system and robbing him of his strength and vitality. The patient has been so weak that it was deemed unwise to have him operated on, for he could not stand the strain. This physicians and parishioners are much alarmed as to his condition, now that the real cause of his filness has become known. Daily the parsonage is besieged by anxiousiparishioners who inquire as to the condition of their pastor, but the closest clerical friends only are permitted to enter the room of the patient.

CAMBER'S MAYOR CONDEMNED

An Indignation Meeting Blames Him for Appointing an Unfit High School Principal. CAMDEN, N. J., Jan. 3. Former Senator Maurice Rogers presided to-night at an indignation meeting of 500 citizens, where resolutions were passed condemning Mayor William B. Hatch for continuing Martin principal of the High School, and for the methprincipal of the High School, and for the methods used to put Scheibner in the place. The resolutions blamed the Mayor for Scheibner's appointment and declared that the principal conducts almost fin such a way as to provoke discord in the school, that he is arbitrary, partial and untruthful, and that he procured his teacher's certificate in a dishonorable way. The resolutions also condemned the School Commission, and called for the appointment of a committee to devise a plan for abolishing the comtact of the people and less the representative of the people and less the representative of one-man power. ess the representative of one-man power

COLER NOMINATES LEVEY.

If Any City Officeholder Is to Go on the Charter Commission. Comptroller Coler said yesterday that no one had suggested to him that he should be a

member of the Charter Revision Commission

to be appointed by Gov. Roosevelt, and that he didn't want a place on it anyway. "If any city officeholder is to be a member of the Commission," said Mr. Coler, I think that Deputy Computed Levey would be the best man that could be selected for the honor. He was familiar with the workings of the Consolidation Act for years, and has been studying the Charter ever since it went into effect. Mr. Levey is a lawyer, and as Deputy Comproller has come into contact with every city department. He would be an extremely valuable man on the Commission."

KILLED ON THE HARLEM RAILROAD, Beside the Track in the Broux.

Abraham T. Buckout, a well-to-do lumber merchant, whose yard is at the foot of East Thirtieth street, was killed yesterday afternoon on the Harlem River Railroad, at 174th street, on his way home. His death was discovered by a passenger on a south-bound train, who saw his body lying alongside the track. The body was taken home to 176th street and Tremont avenue. Mr. Buckont was the years old. He leaves a widow and several children. He was a trustee of the Tremont Methodist Enisonal Church

WANTS AN ANTI-MORMON LAW, Gov. McLaurin of Mississippi Hostile to Their Work in His State.

NEW ORLEANS, La., Jan. 3 .- In his message to the Mississippi Legislature to-day, Gov. McLaurin calls attention to the missionary work of the Mormons and recommends that the Legislature, pass a law inflicting a penalty upon any minister or pre-tended minister of the Gospel who preaches in public or private the doctrine of nologamy. There is every probability that the law will be will be made the basis of expelling the Mormons from Mississippi

The "Captains Courageous" Sloop Ashore PLYMOUTH, Mass., Jan. 3 .- The sloop Venus, Capt. Dench of Gloucester, is ashore on White Fail, with part of her rigging gone. She struck Fall, with part of her rigging gone. She struck on Beach Point on Mondayin the snow storm, and was pulled off and went on to the flat. This is the sloop which figures in Kioling's "Captains Courageous." She had on board 6,000 pounds of fish, which has been taken off and shipped to Boston by rail. The Venus was one of the beats that went ashore here on Saquish beach in the big November storm last year. She is of twenty-one tops, and is owned by Gart. twenty-one tons, and is owned by Cap

Drapery around a chandelier in William H. Seaich's house on Riverside Drive nea Eightieth street caught fire last night and the family ran into the street calling for help Policeman Robinson ran into the buses and tried to extincuish the flames by tearing down the burning drapery. He pulled down the chandelier and it set fre to several costly rugs. When extinguished, \$1,000 damage had been done.

Produce Merchant Dies in the Street. James McKenna, who for many years was a produce merchant in Gausevoort Market, died suddenly of heart disease in Gansevoort street last night. He was about fifty years old and was well-to-do. He lived at 83 West 103d street.

GAVE WARNING OF EURNING BRIDGE. ED MURPHY WARS ON PAYN

AND PAIN WANTS GIBBS'S PLACE AS NATIONAL COMMITTEEMAN.

The Superintendent of Insurance Making Things Interesting in His Own Party and Outside of It-The Fight With Gibbs Promises to Be Merry and Merciless.

The Hon. Edward Murphy, Jr., ex-United

States Senator, of Troy, has declared war on

the Hon. Louis F. Payn and will do everything

possible to prevent Supt. Payn's holding over as head of the Insurance Department at Albany. This was the information handed out last night by Democrats of State importance who have recently conferred with Mr. Murphy, are familiar wi theonyersations which Mr. Murphy had with Mr. Croker before the Tammany chieftain sailed for Europe and are acquainted with the contents of telegrams which have passed between Mr. Murphy and Mr. Croker. Just how much headway Mr. Murphy can make in his fight against Mr. Payn, Mr. Murphy's friends did not know last night, but they said that the situation was becoming complicated. THE SUN has already printed a long list of presidents, vice-presidents and managers of fire insurance companies and others who have requested Gov. Roosevelt to retain Supt. Payn, and Cleveland, and her wedding three years ago to these requests have been made on the state ments that Mr. Payn's administration of the Insurance Department has been most excellent. Mr. Payn's friends said last night that about fitty other representatives of fire and life insurance companies in the State have also sent letters to Gov. Roosevelt praising Mr. Payn's administration and asking that he be retained as Superintendent of Insurance.

It should not be understood that Mr. Murphy is proclaiming from the housetops his attitude toward Mr. Payn. Mr. Murphy does not do business in that fashion. It seems that since election day Mr. Payn's friends have believed that all the Tammany State Senators would vote to defeat the confirmation of any candidate for Superintendent of Insurance sent in by Gov. Roosevelt in opposition to Mr. Payn. One or two of the Tammany State Senators have demurred at this assumption and one or two up-country Democratic Senators who are friendly to certain interests in opposition to Mr. Payn have also taken exception.

Mr. Murphy's opposition has grown out of the fact that he and his followers in Troy were overthrown on election day by ex-Gov. Frank S. Black, and Mr. Murphy's friends said last night that the retention of Mr. Payn as head of the insurance department would necessarily be a great prop for Mr. necessarily be a great prop for Mr.
Murphy's enemies in Troy for the
reason that Mr. Payn and ex-Gov. Bluck are
personal, social and political friends. Mr.
Murphy's friends said that Mr. Payn aided
Mr. Black greatly in his fight in Reusselaer
county to defeat Mr. Murphy's candidate for Mayor of Troy and to bring
about the election of Mr. Conway, the bitterest political ememy that Mr. Murphy now
has on earth. Mayor Conway has begun to do
business right off. He has "fired out" almost
every friend of Mr. Murphy in the municical
departments of Troy, and is to make a clean
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ally injure the prospects of the Surerintendent of Insurance, whatever they may be. Moreover, they believe that the Democratic Senators from Kings are friendly to Mr. Paya and will stand by him. There has never been any love lost between the Kings county Democrats and Mr. Murphy, and it is a matter of fact that Hugh McLaughin and Mr. Murphy themselves have not been personally friendly for a number of years. Then, again, it was said that the strong indorsements of Mr. Payn's administration with which Gov. Roosevelt has been bombarded will go a long way in aid of Mr. Payn. Quite a number of the publican Senators three years ago voted to defeat Mr. Payn's confirmation. Mr. Payn's friends said last night that some of these Republican Senators had changed their views because of the general merit which insurance interests accord to Mr. Payn's administration; that Mr. Payn with his Republican views and the votes of the Brooklyn Democratic Senators and support from other quarters was in a pretty good position at the present time, despite Mr. Murphy's attitude.

Republican friends of Mr. Payn went on to say last night that they hoped he would be made one of the delegates at large to the Republican National Convention, and these Republicans said that they had already spoken to Senator Platt about the matter, but that Mr. Platt had replied that it looked as though the four delegates at large to the Republican National Convention they desired that he should be made a delegate-at-large to the Republican National Convention they desired that he should be made a delegate-at-large to the Republican National Convention they desired that he should be made a delegate-at-large to the Republican National Convention they desired that he should be made Republican National Committeeman for the State, in place of the Hon. Frederick S. Gibbs. It was apparent from all that could be learned that the battle between Mr. Payn and Mr. Gibbs for membership of the Republican National Committeeman, and Mr. Gibbs for membership of the Republican

FEARS FOR AN OVERDUE TRANSPORT.

clined a Tow and May Be Lost. SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 3 .- Several overdue deep-water ships reached port to-day. Among them were the British ship Godiva, 170 days from Newcastle, England, which had very stormy weather rounding Cape Horn.

To-day 20 per cent, reinsurance was paid on the United States transport Victoria, which has the United States transport Victoria, which has been seventy-eight days on the trip from here to Manila. She was loaded with wagons and fodder for army horses. On Nov. 14 the transport Tartar spoke the Victoria, soon after she left Honolulu. The Victoria then reported her shaft broken, but signalled that she would be ready to sail again in a week. Her Captain declined an offer of a tow, as this would have cost him \$50,000 in salvage. As nothing has been heard of the Victoria since, it is feared that she went down in the great storm that nearly proved fatal to the Manuense and several other transports. eral other transports.

WAR UPSETS OCEAN MAILS.

Freighter Tauric Brings British Mail-New York Takes Out an Enormous Load. The twin screw White Star freighter Tauric, which, contrary to the custom of cargo ships, stopped at Queenstown on her way from Liverpool to this port, arrived yesterday with (530)

sacks of mail. This is the first time a British freighter has been used as a mail carrier. The innovation is caused by the withdrawal of swifter British liners for carrying troops to the swifter British liners for carrying troops to the Transwal.

The American liner New York, which was recently refitted and overhauled at Newport News at an expense of \$25,000 saided yesterday for Southampton. As she was the only liner bound for England she erried 1,200 sacks of mail an unusual quantity for one ship. The African war, which has caused the withdrawal of many British mail carriers, brought the good luck to the Yankee ship.

MINNIE SELIGM IN CUTTING SUES. Actress Starts a Counter Action for Divorce From Robert Cutting. Sr. Louis, Mo., Jan. 3.-Minnie Seligman

atting the actress. filed a counter suit for divorce in the Circuit Court this afternoon, Insertion is a leged. The couple were marken July 28, 1802, at Monmouth Beach. N. H. Her hustand, Robert Cutting, is a member of a prominent New York family. They separated on Oct. 18,1898, and Mr. Cutting sued for divorce.

Ice Bridge Formed at Niagara Falls. NIAGARA FALLS, N. Y., Jan. S. - The first ice oridge of the season formed in the gorge below the Falls late this afternoon, and to-night is still firm in the rocky shoras at 5 clebck. It extended nearly up to the foot of the Horseshoe Falls, A 19 clock it had broken away until its upper line was even with the American Falls, Practically this is what occurs with all lee bridge formations in the gorze. The bridge is earlier than usual. No one has crossed it yet.

DEATH LIST OF 600.

Result of the Severe Barthquake in the Russian District of Achalkalak.

Special Cable Despatch to THE BUR. St. PETERSBURG, Jan. 3.-It is reported that 600 persons were killed by the earthquake on Monday in the Achaikalak district in the Government of Tiflis.

OUR CHINESE TRADE QUARANTEES, London "Times" Says They Are Hailed With Great Satisfaction in England.

Special Cable Despatch o THE SUR. LONDON, Jan. 4.- The Times, commenting upon the assurances given by the powers to

the United States regarding the open door in China, says: "Nowhere will they be hailed with greater satisfaction than in Great Britain, and nowhere will the particulars of the arrangement be awaited with deeper interest. The American Republic is the last power in the world that would have gone to the trouble of getting paper assurances and then allow them to remain aper assurances only. If she has got them it is because she means them to be observed. It is to be hoped that in fulfilling that intention she will always receive the vigorous, unflinching support of the initiators of the policy she has adopted."

LOTAL DOMINICAN WOMEN.

Offered Their Jewelry to Help Pay the National Debt.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

SANTO DOMINGO, Jan. 3.-The French Consul demanded from the Dominican government the payment of some old debts which had not been liquidated on account of the trouble regarding paper money. The French consul wanted to get control of the budget of the country. The Dominican women offered to sacrifice their jewelry if necessary to preserve the honor and the independence of the country. A popular subscription to meet the French demand has resulted in donations largely in excess of the claim.

"LUCKY" BALDWIN'S PLAN.

To Start a Theatre or Dance Hall at Cape Nome to Recoup His Lost Fortune.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 3 .- "Lucky" Baldwin, who has only a remnant left of his former fortune, proposes to go to Cape Nome, the new Alaskan mining camp, in the spring. It is said that he will start a theatre or dance hall with a company of dancing girls. Whether he will add games of chance that appeal to miners is yet uncertain. He has chartered a vessel to carry his troupe.

Out of this venture Baldwin hopes to recoup the fortune he has lost in the last ten years.

MARRIED IN JAIL.

The Bridegroom Likely to Be Sentenced To-day to a Long Term.

Ernest Edwards, alias McIntyre, one of the Jack Sheppard" gang of burglars, who was Jersey City of robbing a clothing store in young widow who testified in his behalf at the young widow who testified in his behalf at the trial. The widow has visited Edwards nearly every day since he was locked up on July 10, last year. Yesterday Edwards told Warden Sullivan that he and Mrs. Smith desired to be married. The Rev. Dariel Warren, rector of St. Mary's Ebiscopal Church in Hoboken avenue, consented to perform the ceremony. Edwards and his accomplice John Mahaney, alias Jack Sheppard, are likely to be sentenced to-day to a long term in State prison.

SHOES FOR SCHOOL CHILDREN.

Mayor Dillon Pays for Them Rather Than NEW ROCHELLE, Jan. 3 .- Officer Harvey, truant officer of the public schools, informed Mayor Dillon that at many places he visited the parents said that they could not send their children to school because they had no shoes. Mayor Dillon had officer Harvey make out a hayor Dillon had omeer harvey make out a list of twenty such instances and he took the unfortunate children to a shoe dealer's here to-day and presented to each child a pair of shoes and a pair of rubbers, paying the expense from his own pocket. Last night he had alderman Council setting aside \$200 from the Common Council setting aside \$200 from the Common Council fund to provide for such cases. The Mayor said that he had gone to school barefooted to obtain an education.

SCHOONER ASHORE AT MORICHES. Nine Men Taken Off by Means of the

Breeches Buoy. EASTPORT, L. I., Jan. 3. - Nine men were taken from the stranded three-masted schooner S. P. Hitchcock from Brunswick, Ga., which came ashore off the Morfehes lifesaving station early this morning. The Hitchcock was laden with lumber and bound for Bangor, Me. She was discovered ashore about 3:30 o'clock this morning by Patrolmen Henry Griffin and Frederick Tuttle. The crows from the Moriches and Potunck stations were mus-tered and the crew of the schooner taken ashore by means of the breeches buoy. There is about six feet of water in the vessel's hold. It is thought that her cargo will be jettlsoned, and that she may be hauled off.

FIGHT WITH MOONSHINERS.

Report of a Shooting in the Hills of Coosa County, Ala.

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Jan. 3 .- It is reported here to-night that an encounter took place this afternoon in the hills of Coosa county between a posse of six revenue officers headed by Carl Tutwiler of this city and a band of mountaineers, for five of whom warrants are pending for moonshining. The story is that three or four of the mountaineers have been shot and the offleers have arrested several others. The officers, it is said, have escaped unharmed.

Several days ago Tutwiler and another officer went to Coosa to arrest the five moonshiners, but were fired upon from ambush. They came to Montgomery, organized the posse, and set out again.

MR. BOLDT'S NEW HOTEL.

Will Be in Philadelphia and Will Cost About \$2,000,000.

BLOW TO SCHLEY'S AMBITION

PRICE TWO CENTS.

OPINION OF THE CAPTAINS AT THE BATTLE OF SANTIAGO.

They Tell the President That Sampson Should Be Made Vice-Admiral and That Schley Should Clear Up the Charges Against Him Before Being Rewarded -Capt. Cook Takes the Responsibility for the Loop Made by the Brooklyn.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 3 .- At the conference held

resterday at the White House between Presi-

dent McKinley, Secretary Long and the Naval officers who commanded ships which participated in the engagement with Cervera's squadron off Santiago there were more mportant developments than those who were present were willing to disclose last night. Perhaps the most important result of the exchange of opinion among the Santiage Captains was the declaration by every one of them that Rear Admiral W. T. Sampson should be considered first among those entitled for reward on account of the successful naval campaign in the West Indies, and that it would be injurious to the service to reward any officer who stood charged with reprehensible conduct in that campaign. This last statement was plainly intended to apply to Rear Admiral W. 8. Schley. No reference to Admiral Schley by name was made, but the inference was not to be mistaken. Every officer present-and this neludes Capt. F. A. Cook-who commanded Schley's flagship, was of the opinion that Sampson deserved the greatest reward that Congress and the Executive were willing to confer, and that it would be a mistake to raise Schley to the grade of Vice-Admiral, not only on account of his conduct off the south coast of Cuba while in command of the Flying Squadron, but on account of his professional and personal unfitness for the place. The following statement of the unanimous views of the Santiago commanders, expressed to President McKinley, is given by one of those present and agreed with the understand-

"There was a general unanimity of opinion among the officers that if the grade of Vice-Admiral was created there should be but one. and that this should go to the Commander-in-Chief of the North Atlantic squadron, who stood in the same relation to the operations in the Atlantic that Dewey did to those in the Pacific.

ing of others who participated in the confer-

"There was also general unanimity of opinion that where charges of reprehensible conduct stood on the record against an officer, there should be no such reward for him until he should have asked for an inquiry, or until they were explained, as this would be injurious to the service."

Incident to the conversation, reference was made to the much discussed loop of the Brooklyn, Schley's flagship, and President McKinley asked Capt. Cook, who commanded the vessel in the Cuban campaign, the direct question: "Who gave the order for that turn?" Capt. Cool unhesitatingly and convicted in the General Sessions Court in frankly said that he had given the order and proceeded to explain why he had Hoboken, was married in the county jail done so. His statement fiatly contracted Adyesterday afternoon to Mrs. Mary Smith, a | miral Schley's official claim that the turn was made to keep the Brooklyn from blanketing the fire of the other American ships. It also contradicted Schley's original contention, subsequently dropped for the blanketing theory, that it was necessary for the Brooklyn to make a circle outward and away from the Spanish warships to prevent them from ramming her. Capt. Cook claimed no particular credit for the movement. He said it was not a piece of strategy, but an ordinary, natural manævre to prevent the Brooklyn from getting between the Spanish shore batteries and the Spanish ships, and thus being out off from cooperating with the other American vessels. The explanation made by Capt. Cook, was

> When the Spanish ships were seen steaming out of the harbor of Santiago on the morning of July 3, the Brooklyn occupied the left or west end of the line of the American armorclads blockading the harbor's mouth. Next to her, to the east, was the Texas, with the Indiana, Iowa and Oregon further east. When the Brooklyn turned in toward the harwhen the brooklyn turned in toward the narbor mouth the leading Spanish ship was coming straight in her direction and Capt. Cook thought that they would get between his ship and the Texas. Had this occurred the Brooklyn would have been on the starboard side of the enemy and between them and the shore, while all the other American vessels engaged would have been on the port or sea side of the Spaniard. To prevent his vessel from thus being cut off from cooperation with the Texas. Oregon, lowa and Indiana, he had given the order to turn the helm so as to bring the Brooklyn around on the port side of the enemy with the other American vessels. To do this if was necessary to make a circle which completely brought the Brooklyn around, with her head turned in the same direction as the Spaniarls and the other American armor-clads.
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> Capt. Cook explained that he made the turn because it was the most natural thing to do, and that Commodore Schley concurred in it. While this was practically all that was said in the President's presence about the "loop" of the Brooklyn, some of the officers who participated in the conference have been talking quite freely among themselves and with other naval officers about Capt. Cook's assumption of responsibility for the Brooklyn's much discussed manceuvres, and there is a pretty general opinion among them that there are some things yet to be explained. It was learned to-day that Capt. Cook and some time ago made the statement to the Navy Department officials and the commanders who served with him at Santiago have only the greatest praise to offer of Capt. Cook's conduct in the entire Santiago campaign, and express regret that he should be placed in the embarrassing position of having been so closely associated with Admiral Schley during that period. There is no question in the minds of the naval authorities and those who served with him in the West Indies in 1898 of the gallantry and professional ability of himself in permitting the assumption that he directed the movement from start to bor mouth the leading Spanish ship was coming straight in her direction and Capt.

PRILADELPHIA, Jan. 3.—George C. Boldt of the Waldorf-Astoria, New York, and his particular than the city, announced to-day that they had alopted plans for the exection of a hotel which is to cost \$2,000,000 and which is to be carefully a state of the present Stratford Hotel here. The structure, which is to compare, according to Mr. Boldt, with any hotel in the United States, is to be completed by Sept. 1, 1964. There are to be 350 rooms for guests in the new hotel.

Biaze at the Professional Women's League. The fire engines rattled up to the building at 1500 Broadway, in which is the office of the Professional Women's League, and caught fire from a gas stove in the office, Mr. Alice Brown, the secretary of the League, and some other women had first made a vain effort to extincuish the filames. When the fire was over they discovered that Mrs. Brown shat and verified by the joint caucus of the League, and the only the forther train, which was valued at \$2.50.

Gov. McLaurin Named for Senator.

Jackson, Miss. Jan. 3.—Gov. McLaurin was nown then only the forther train, which was valued at \$2.50.

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